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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed to effect a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 in response to the Office Action mailed April 9, 2003. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and objections and solicit an early allowance of claims 3-8 and 11 for the reasons discussed below. A two-month extension of time has been included herein.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8)

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